GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:205
ANSWERED ON:09.08.2010
RELAXATION IN SEZ RULES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received proposals from States including Kerala for according relaxation in minimum area stipulation in the Special Economic Zone (SEZ) Rules;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide other relaxation in SEZ norms; and

(e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the consultations held with the Board of Approval in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI ANAND SHARMA)

a)to e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 205 FOR ANSWER ON 9TH AUGUST 2010 REGARDING "RELAXATION IN SEZ RULES"

(a)to (c): Requests have been received from some State Governments including Government of Kerala to accord relaxation of minimum area stipulation in the Special Economic Zone (SEZ) Rules, 2006. Currently, there is no proposal under consideration for relaxing the minimum area stipulation.

(d) and (e): Steps are taken from time to time to simplify procedures for speedy implementation of SEZ projects. However, there is no proposal to relax norms as envisaged in the SEZ Act, 2005.